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Election of a member of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Note by the Secretary-General

1. At its 16th plenary meeting in 2018, held on 16 April, the Economic and Social Council elected seven members to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2019 (see Council decision 2018/201 E).

2. At the same meeting, the Council postponed the election of one member each from Asia-Pacific States and Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on 1 January 2019 and expiring on 31 December 2022 (see Council decision 2018/201 E).

3. The Secretariat has since received one nomination from Latin American and Caribbean States. The term of office would begin on 1 January 2019 and expire on 31 December 2022.

4. Biographical information on the candidate is set out in the annex to the present note.

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Annex

Biographical information on a candidate for election to the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*

Karla Vanessa Lemus de Vásquez (El Salvador)

Date and place of birth
19 September 1979, Santa Ana, El Salvador.

Education

- International Training Course on Labour and Social Policies for Decent Work. ILO, May 2018.
- Professional Certificate on Public Management for Development, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), September 2017.
- Career Diplomat, Second Secretary, Executive Decree No. 910/2009. May 2009.
- Master Degree on Local Development at José Simeón Cañas Central American University. October 2009.
- Graduate in International Relations at University of El Salvador (UES). December 2003.

Professional activities

- (2017–) – Management Group of Framework Convention on Tobacco Control Project (WHO-FCTC2030) for El Salvador.
- (2015) – Organizer of the Civil Society Forum of the 8th Ministerial Conference of the Community of Democracies, San Salvador, July 2015.
- (2014) – Technical working team of the 3rd Report on the Progress of the Millennium Development Goals. El Salvador. 2014.
- (2011) – Organizer of the civil Society Dialogue of the Forty-first regular session of the OAS General Assembly, El Salvador, June 2011.
- (2008) – Member of the Substantive Committee in the organization of the XVIII Ibero- American Summit, El Salvador, October 2008.
- (2007) – Organizer of the XIV Meeting of First Ladies, Spouses and Representatives of Heads of State of the Americas. November 2007.
- (2007) – Member of the Non Permanent Specialized Committee on Social Development and Creation of Productive Employment. OAS.
- (2006) – Organizer of the XXXIII Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM-OAS), El Salvador, November 2006.
- (2004–) – Delegate of El Salvador in several international meetings such as United Nations Commission on Population and Development, United Nations Commission on Social Development, Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor, etc.

* Curricula vitae are issued without formal editing.

Current position(s)

(Dec. 2004–) – Director of Social Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, El Salvador.

Responsible for monitoring social issues such as education, health (including sexual and reproductive health), employment, social indicators, poverty, population and development, sports, among others.

Coordinator of national processes for preparing periodic reports on the application of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, as well as the Protocol of San Salvador on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and other international treaties and global frameworks for action.

Promoter of the establishment of a National Mechanism to follow up on the international human rights commitments ratified by El Salvador, which is being worked with the Office of the Chief of Cabinet to the President and the Regional Office for Central America of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.